PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF SOUTH CAROLINA

DOCKETING DEPARTMENT

NOTICE OF HEARING

DOCKET NO. 2005-3-E

DUKE POWER - ANNUAL REVIEW OF BASE RATES FOR FUEL COSTS.

S.C. Code Ann. Section 58-27-865 (Supp. 2004) established a procedure for annual hearings to allow the Commission and all interested parties to review the fuel purchasing practices and policies of the Company and for the Commission to determine if any adjustment in the fuel cost recovery mechanism is necessary and reasonable.

In order for testimony and evidence to be received from all interested parties, a public hearing will be held in the Commission's Hearing Room, Synergy Business Park, Saluda Building, 101 Executive Center Drive, Columbia, S.C. on <u>Wednesday</u>, <u>August 24</u>, 2005 at 10:30 a.m.

Any person who wishes to participate in this matter, as a party of record with the right of cross-examination should file a Petition to Intervene in accordance with the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure, on or before May 31, 2005. *Please refer to Docket No. 2005-3-E.*

Any person who wishes to testify and present evidence at the hearing should notify, in writing, the undersigned and Ms. Lara Nichols, Assistant General Counsel, Law Department, Duke Power, PB05E, Post Office Box 1244, Charlotte, North Carolina 28201-1244 on or before **May 31, 2005**, and indicate the amount of time required for his presentation. *Please refer to Docket No. 2005-3-E.*

Any person who wishes to be notified of any change in the hearing date, but does not wish to present testimony or be a party of record, may do so by notifying the Docketing Department in writing at the address below on or before May 31, 2005. Please refer to Docket No. 2005-3-E.

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE: Any person who wishes to have his or her comments considered as part of the official record of this proceeding <u>MUST</u> present such comments, in person, to the Commission during the hearing.

Persons seeking information about the Commission's Procedures should contact the Commission in Columbia at 803-896-5100.

Public Service Commission of South Carolina Attn: Docketing Department PO Drawer 11649 Columbia, SC 29211

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